# CHAPTER 10 RESERVE PEACE OFFICERS

#### DIVISION I RESERVE PEACE OFFICER WEAPONS CERTIFICATION

## 501—10.1(80D) Weapons certification.

- **10.1(1)** Reserve officers must receive council certification in the use of weapons the hiring authority expects and authorizes them to carry. Weapons training is not required with any weapons the reserve officers are not authorized to carry.
- **10.1(2)** Individuals who have been certified through training by the Iowa law enforcement academy as regular officers may be certified to carry weapons as reserve officers without repeating the required reserve officer's weapons training under the following conditions:
- a. The academy certification through training was acquired through a school in which firearms training was required; and
- (1) The individual is serving as a regular officer for another department at the time of appointment as a reserve officer, or
- (2) The individual has served as a regular officer within the two years immediately preceding appointment as a reserve officer.
- b. Verification must also be provided to the council that the officer has fired a qualifying score of 80 percent or higher on a tactical revolver course approved by the academy within the past 12 months. This verification must be provided by an academy trained and certified firearms instructor.
  - **10.1(3)** Application for weapons certification.
- a. Application for weapons certification must be made in writing to the council on forms provided by the academy.
- b. Verification must be received by the council that a fingerprint check has been made with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the division of criminal investigation of the Iowa department of public safety and that the applicant has no record of a felony conviction or conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude. Fingerprint check responses from these agencies must be dated not more than one year prior to the date of the receipt by the academy of the application to the council for certification.
  - c. Council certification will be granted only where weapons proficiency is documented.
- d. Interim certification to carry weapons may be granted by the chairperson of the council if all requirements for certification have been met by the reserve officer and certified by the appointing authority. All interim certifications to carry weapons shall then be brought before the council at the next regularly scheduled meeting in order that the council can approve or reject the reserve officer's certification to carry weapons.
- **501—10.2(80D) Instructors for required weapons training.** Firearms, striking instruments and chemical weapons training must be provided by an Iowa law enforcement academy-certified instructor before a reserve officer can be certified to carry weapons.
- **501—10.3(80D)** Reserve officers and regular officers weapons training requirements identical. Reserve officer weapons training requirements are the same as those required of regular law enforcement officers during their basic training.

**501—10.4(80D) Standards for certification.** An applicant for certification to carry weapons as a reserve peace officer must be of good moral character and not have been convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude. (See 501—subrule 2.1(5).) The offenses of domestic abuse and stalking or other offenses of domestic violence, and any offense in which a weapon was used in the commission, are crimes involving moral turpitude.

**501—10.5(80D) Annual qualification.** All reserve peace officers who are certified to carry firearms must qualify with all duty handguns annually on a course of fire approved by the Iowa law enforcement academy under the supervision of an academy-certified firearms instructor and must successfully fire a minimum score as established by the academy.

# 501—10.6(80D) Agency responsibilities for record keeping.

**10.6(1)** It is the responsibility of the law enforcement agency administrator to ensure that training records are regularly kept and maintained. The law enforcement administrator shall make these records available for inspection upon request by the Iowa law enforcement academy or its designee.

10.6(2) Training records shall include the following data:

- a. The date of the training.
- b. The subject matter of the training.
- c. The instructor of the training.
- d. The individual who took the training.
- e. The length of time of the training.
- f. The location where the training took place.
- g. Qualifying range scores and the scores, if any, achieved by the officer to show proficiency in or understanding of the subject matter.

501—10.7(80D) Officers transferring from one agency to another. A reserve peace officer who has been certified by the Iowa law enforcement academy council to carry weapons and who transfers from one Iowa law enforcement agency to another as a reserve officer without more than a 180-day break in service (affiliation) will not be required to undergo weapons certification training anew, provided that a completed application to carry weapons as a reserve officer for the new agency in compliance with Iowa Code section 80D.7 is filed with the academy within 180 days of the date of transfer. If firearms certification is requested, the application must show that the officer has fired qualifying rounds under the supervision of an ILEA-certified firearms instructor within 30 days of the date of application. The application shall further state that all training records for the officer have been transcripted to the new agency.

**501—10.8(80D)** Reserve peace officers serving more than one agency. A reserve peace officer who serves more than one Iowa law enforcement agency at the same time must be certified by the Iowa law enforcement academy council to carry weapons for each agency that the reserve officer serves in compliance with Iowa Code section 80D.7. It is not necessary for the officer to complete weapons training for each such agency, but all agencies shall maintain duplicate training records for the officer.

**501—10.9(80D) Timeliness of training.** Training in support of an application to the Iowa law enforcement academy council to carry weapons as a reserve peace officer shall have been accomplished not more than one year prior to the date of the receipt by the academy of the application to the council for certification. Failure to file the application within one year of the date of training shall require the officer to undergo weapons training anew.

**501—10.10(80D) CPR certification required.** Reserve peace officers shall maintain at a minimum valid first-aid certifications issued by the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, or any other group recognized by the Iowa law enforcement academy and must have current course completion in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, AED and Foreign Body Airway Obstruction for all age groups according to national standards, with documentation furnished to the academy.

### **501—10.11** to **10.99** Reserved.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 80D.3 and 80D.7.

### DIVISION II RESERVE PEACE OFFICER PERSONAL STANDARDS

**501—10.100(80D)** General requirements for reserve peace officers. In no case shall any person hereafter be selected or appointed as a reserve peace officer unless the person:

**10.100(1)** Is a citizen of the United States and a resident of Iowa or intends to become a resident of Iowa upon appointment as a reserve peace officer. However, with the approval of the Iowa law enforcement academy council, a city located on a state border that is within a standard metropolitan statistical area may allow reserve peace officers to reside in an adjacent state within that statistical area upon written application by the agency administrator to the council showing substantial reason and documenting undue hardship.

**10.100(2)** Is 18 years of age at the time of selection or appointment.

**10.100(3)** Has a valid driver's or chauffeur's license issued by the state of Iowa. Reserve peace officers who are allowed to reside in an adjacent state within a standard metropolitan statistical area shall be required to possess a valid driver's or chauffeur's license.

**10.100(4)** Is not addicted to drugs or alcohol.

**10.100(5)** Is of good moral character as determined by a thorough background investigation including a fingerprint search conducted on local, state and national fingerprint files, and has not been convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude. "Moral turpitude" is defined as an act of baseness, vileness, or depravity in the private and social duties which a person owes to another person, or to society in general, contrary to the accepted and customary rule of right and duty between person and person. Moral turpitude is conduct that is contrary to justice, honesty or good morals. The following nonexclusive list of acts has been held by the courts to involve moral turpitude: income tax evasion, perjury, insubordination, theft, indecent exposure, sex crimes, conspiracy to commit a crime, defrauding the government, and illegal drug offenses. The offenses of assault, domestic abuse, or other offenses of domestic violence, stalking, and any offense in which a weapon was used in the commission are crimes involving moral turpitude. Various factors, however, may cause an offense which is generally not regarded as constituting moral turpitude to be regarded as such.

**10.100(6)** Is not by reason of conscience or belief opposed to the use of force when necessary to fulfill the person's duties.

10.100(7) Is a high school graduate with a diploma, or possesses a GED equivalency certificate.

**10.100(8)** Has vision corrected to 20/20. Vision tests conducted within 12 months before appointment or selection may be used. A person who performs policing duties alone and without the direct supervision of a certified regular law enforcement officer who is physically present with the reserve peace officer at all times must have uncorrected vision of not less than 20/100 in both eyes, corrected to 20/20. Policing duties include but are not limited to responding to calls, making traffic stops, and patrolling the jurisdiction.

The applicant shall have color vision consistent with the occupational demands of law enforcement. An applicant's passing any of the following color vision tests indicates that the applicant has color vision abilities consistent with the occupational demands of law enforcement:

- a. Pseudoisochromatic plates tests such as but not limited to: Tokyo Medical College, Ishihara, Standard Pseudoisochromatic Plates, Dvorine, American Optical HHR Plates, American Optical.
- b. Panels tests such as Farnsworth Dichotomous D-15 Test or any other test designed and documented to identify extreme anomalous trichromatic, dichromatic or monochromatic color vision.

An individual with extreme anomalous trichromatism or monochromasy color vision, as determined through testing, is not eligible to serve as a reserve peace officer in the state of Iowa.

**10.100(9)** Has hearing corrected to normal hearing standards. Hearing is considered normal when, tested by an audiometer, hearing sensitivity thresholds are within 25dB measured at 1000Hz, 2000Hz and 3000Hz averaged together. Hearing tests conducted within 12 months before appointment or selection may be used. A person who performs policing duties alone and without the direct supervision of a certified regular law enforcement officer who is physically present with the reserve peace officer at all times must have normal hearing in each ear. Policing duties include but are not limited to responding to calls, making traffic stops, and patrolling the jurisdiction.

**10.100(10)** Is examined by a licensed physician or surgeon and meets the physical requirements as defined by the law enforcement agency necessary to fulfill the responsibilities of the reserve peace officer position being filled.

# 501—10.101(80D) Reserve peace officers moving from agency to agency.

**10.101(1)** A reserve peace officer who has previously met all the requirements of rule 10.100(80D) and who intends to move reserve peace officer status from one Iowa law enforcement agency to another Iowa law enforcement agency, or who intends to be a reserve peace officer for more than one Iowa law enforcement agency simultaneously, shall be of good moral character as determined by a thorough background investigation by the law enforcement agency, including, but not limited to, a fingerprint search conducted by the Iowa division of criminal investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If the results of the fingerprint file checks cannot reasonably be obtained prior to the time of appointment, the appointment shall be considered conditional until such time as the results are received and reviewed by the appointing agency.

**10.101(2)** Except as otherwise specified, the provisions of rule 10.100(80D) do not need to be reverified upon the movement of reserve peace officer status from one Iowa law enforcement agency to another Iowa law enforcement agency or upon the reserve peace officer's being appointed as a reserve peace officer by more than one Iowa law enforcement agency simultaneously, if the reserve peace officer met all of the requirements of rule 10.100(80D) when the person was initially appointed as a reserve peace officer and if, without a break of not more than 180 days from law enforcement service, the person is appointed as a reserve peace officer by another Iowa law enforcement agency.

### 501—10.102(80D) Active law enforcement officer moving to reserve peace officer status.

**10.102(1)** An active law enforcement officer who has previously met all the requirements of rule 501—2.1(80B) and who intends to move to reserve peace officer status, or who intends to be a reserve peace officer for more than one Iowa law enforcement agency simultaneously, or who intends to be a reserve peace officer for an Iowa law enforcement agency while also working as an active law enforcement officer shall be of good moral character as determined by a thorough background investigation by the law enforcement agency, including, but not limited to, a fingerprint search conducted by the Iowa division of criminal investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If the results of the fingerprint file checks cannot reasonably be obtained prior to the time of appointment, the appointment shall be considered conditional until such time as the results are received and reviewed by the appointing agency.

**10.102(2)** Except as otherwise specified, the provisions of rule 10.100(80D) do not need to be verified upon the movement of active law enforcement officer status to reserve peace officer status or upon the officer's being appointed as a reserve peace officer by more than one Iowa law enforcement agency simultaneously, or upon the officer's being appointed as a reserve peace officer by one Iowa law enforcement agency while serving in active law enforcement status for another agency if the peace officer met all of the requirements of rule 501—2.1(80B) when the person was initially appointed as a peace officer and if, without a break of not more than 180 days from law enforcement service, the person is appointed as a reserve peace officer by another Iowa law enforcement agency.

501—10.103(80D) Reserve peace officers in agencies under intergovernmental agreements. When jurisdictions enter into an intergovernmental agreement under the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 28E for the sharing of law enforcement services by those jurisdictions and sharing of reserve peace officers, the compliance of reserve peace officers with rule 10.100(80D) does not need to be reverified if the execution, filing and recording of the intergovernmental agreement conform to the requirements of Iowa law and a certified copy of the agreement is provided to the director of the academy. However, this exception from reverification does not apply to the establishment of a unified law enforcement district as defined in Iowa Code section 28E.21, wherein a new legal entity or political subdivision is established.

**501—10.104(80D) Higher standards not prohibited.** A person who does not meet minimum standards shall not be selected or appointed as an Iowa reserve peace officer. Agencies are not limited or restricted in establishing additional standards.

**501—10.105(80D)** Reserve peace officers appointed before enactment of these rules. These rules apply only to reserve peace officers appointed on or after June 2, 2004.

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